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## ATCHISON FOLKS IN HONOLULU

(Atchison Weekly Globe, February 15)

Honolulu's ears are bound to burn for a month. The 500-odd Cleveland passengers had the time of the trip in Hawaii's capital and have been talking about the city and its people ever since. They were given auto rides and dinners and luncheons at private homes and entertained royally from early one morning until late the next afternoon, when the ship pulled out. Honolulu made a most favorable impression. About a score of the tourists stopped off there and every one of the others made up his mind to visit the islands again at some future date. Miss Amelia Emmeluth, formerly of Atchison, never fails to display her regard for Kansas folks, and the Atchison man took advantage of her invitation to get away from the German cooking on the ship. Miss Emmeluth and Miss Mabel Ladd, who visited in Atchison last summer, live together, and the Atchison man had a delicious dinner at their home. They know how ship dinners are arranged, in courses, so had steak and a whole fable covered with other things that tasted wonderfully good. Miss Ladd is still talking about the hot weather she encountered in Atchison. "I'll never forget Atchison," Miss Ladd said, "because of the nice people. But when I go again I'm going to make sure it is not in July." The afternoon the Cleveland sailed there was a sort of Atchison reunion on the ship. Among others in the party were Mrs. James Kerchner, former Miss Addie Beattie, daughter of Tom Beattie, of Atchison, and Mrs. Marcellino, who also visited in Atchison during the hot spell. Mrs. Marcellino says she's willing to make a return visit any time and take a chance on the weather—she had such a good time. Mr. Kerchner is in the automobile business in Honolulu and has a fine home overlooking the city, the bay and the ocean.

The Cleveland anchored off Honolulu early on January 24. Soon after daylight we took on a local pilot and started into the harbor. There were four battleships in the bay. In docking the pilot was in charge of the ship, and of course, responsible. In nearing the wharf the Cleveland, the pilot having misjudged his distance, came within a few inches of ramming the battleship Colorado. The pilot saw his predicament and said to the captain: "I'm dizzy—take charge," and fell in a faint. Five minutes later he was dead. The fear of a collision literally scared the poor man to death. The Cleveland is the largest ship ever in Honolulu's harbor. The captain reversed the engines and stopped the big liner just in the nick of time. Honolulu today is a decided mixture

of nationalities and a babel of tongues. It is one of the cosmopolitan cities of the world. Honolulu has about 14,000 Hawaiians, 12,000 Japanese, 7000 Chinese, 500 Portuguese, 10,000 Americans, British and Germans, 1000 Porto Ricans, 2000 Koreans and many other nationalities.

In a ride on an electric car one can easily see representatives of seven or eight nationalities and hear as many different languages spoken. First comes the natives, swarthy in complexion and black straight hair. Their language is very simple. There are but fourteen letters in the alphabet. To one who hears it for the first time comes the conviction that the aborigines expressed their sentiments in primitive vowel sounds, to which some consonants have been added. Each vowel is sounded as in Latin, and the words are easily pronounced by one who is patient and wishes to speak distinctly. The pronunciation will be all the better if the speaker will draw out, almost drawl, the vowel sounds, for which reason the language is well suited to the doleful Hawaiian wail. Say, e. g., Hoo-noo-luu-luu, and let the word sort or sing itself.

When the Cleveland started, the sailors in white on the dogs of war stood at attention, and a great crowd on the wharf cheered and four or five bands played their heads off. And the Cleveland passengers—they all just looked as if they wanted to cry. Several were so laden with flowers they could scarcely walk. Once outside the harbor the big ship poked her nose toward the northeast and it is off for the last round of the voyage—San Francisco.

On the morning of February 1 all the passengers were out early. Land was in sight. Some were glad the trip was so near the end—others were sorry. To leave the Cleveland will seem like leaving an old home. It has been a wonderful trip. But oh, you Golden Gate! Oh, you United States! The Atchison man has had the time of his life, but he fears that he has been spoiled—that he'll never be able to work again. For more than three months he has been in the hands of a great steamship company and had stewards to wait on him at every turn, and nothing to do but have a good time. So if he becomes a confirmed loafer it isn't really his fault. The man who spends his winters at 1117 North Third street, Atchison, and his summers on Potato Hill, is to blame for everything. Last summer the retired editor wrote: "All you have to do is to go aboard the Cleveland the day she leaves New York. I'll do the rest." And he did. J. P. H.

## MAUI NEWS ITEMS

(Special Correspondence of the Star)

WAILUKU, March 26.—One of the most interesting affairs in years was given last Saturday night at the Alexander House Gymnasium in Wailuku. It was a bazaar undertaken by the Settlement in which all nationalities had an important part. Even in the concert the different races here had their own peculiar music, and, though it sounded strange indeed to hear the Chinese national airs along with the sweet songs of the Hawaiians, yet it was all so novel and interesting that every feature of the musical program was heartily appreciated by the large crowd in the Gym.

Each nationality had also its own booth where fancy work and useful articles were sold. Perhaps the Japanese people had put the most work into their own booth, where quantities of articles were piled up for sale. The Portuguese booth was well equipped and the patronage excellent.

The Hawaiian booth was also most attractive, was well decorated, and was presided over by Mrs. A. Noa Kepolikal. Mrs. S. Konda had charge of the Japanese booth. Mrs. Joe Machado of the Portuguese, Misses Louise Hart and Ella Groves of the American, Mrs. Ah Quai Ting and Mrs. Yee Kul of the Chinese. The refreshment table Miss Ah Yuk Young waited upon. Mesdames H. B. Penhallow and Selden B. Kingsbury did a big business at the candy table, while Mrs. O. J. Whitehead had charge of the ice cream booth. The proceeds from the affair ran up into a good figure for the Settlement work.

The girls' basketball team of Wailuku are expecting to meet a team from the Priory during the Easter vacation week. The affair will be the most interesting yet given in the way of indoor athletics since the Gym was opened. Interest is already keen and the Wailuku girls are practicing hard to be in shape to win over their Honolulu rivals. The time for the games will be announced soon. It is expected they will be played off on three nights in one week.

All the Maui churches are making careful and elaborate plans for Palm

and Easter Sundays. The choirs are planning special music and the decorations will be of a high order.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank F. Baldwin are expected back on Maui this week Saturday. They returned in the Manchuria.

Mrs. Laura Corbaley, who has been visiting Mrs. A. J. Gossin, returned to Honolulu this week Tuesday.

The Church of the Good Shepherd in Wailuku is planning a memorial window for Rev. Geo. Whipple, the first pastor of the church. A concert will be given on the 13th of April for the benefit of this fund. It is understood that already considerable is on deposit.

The poles for the electric light line in Paha are set along the street running between Kahului and Wailuku. The foundations for the new plant are well along. The wiring of a large number of public buildings and private residences is also completed, and the machinery should be here in a few weeks more. All looks favorable to getting the current before many months now.

## POSTOFFICE EXTENSION.

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